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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE REPRESENTATION AT DECEMBER MINISTERIALS

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1. ISSUE OF PORTUGUESE REPRESENTATION AT DECEMBER MINISTERIAL MEETINGS HAS CONTINUED TO BE A CONERN OF SYSG LUNS AND HIS IMMEDIATE STAFF. LUNS' DIRECTEUR DU CABINET VAN CAMPEN, IN DISCUSSING THE MATTER

WITH US, HAD TOLD US OF LUNS' CONCERN ABOUT RELIABILITY FROM A SECURITY STANDPOINT OF POSSIBLE MEMBERS OF PORTUGUESE DELEGATIONS TO DPC AND NAC MINISTERIAL MEETINGS, THOUGH SYG'S OFFICE DOES NOT QUESTION RELIABILITY OF ANTUNES OR MORAIS DA SILVA, WHO

HAVE BEEN EXPECTED TO BE SENIOR REPRESENTATIVES OF PORTUGAL AT NAC AND DPC MINISTERIAL MEETINGS, RESPECTIVELY.

2. IN CONVERSATIONS WITH VAN CAMPEN, WE HAVE CONVEYED TO HIM SUBSTANCE OF PARAS 2, 3 AND 4 OF REFTTEL AND HE HAS DISCUSSED US VIEWS WITH LUNS. FOR HIS PART, LUNS HAS TAKEN NO STEPS TO SEEK TO ASSURE THE COMPOSITION OF PORTUGUESE DELEGATIONS TO MINISTERIALS WOULD

NOT POSE SECURITY PROBLEMS, THOUGH FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES HE HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH DE FREITAS CRUZ, ACCORDING TO VAN CAMPEN, CONFIDENTIAL

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ABOUT THE LIKELY MEMBERS OF THE PORTUGUESE REPRESENTATION.

3. MEANWHILE, PORTUGUESE PERMREP DE FREITAS CRUZ TOLD US NOVEMBER 24 THAT HE BELIEVED NEITHER ANTUNES NOR MORAIS DA SILVA

WOULD ATTEND MINISTERIAL MEETINGS BECAUSE OF THE UNSETTLED SITUATION IN LISBON. MENTIONING THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH COSTA GOMES, DE FREITAS CRUZ SAID THAT HE FULLY ANTICIPATED HE WOULD REPRESENT PORTUGAL IN BOTH DPC AND NAC MEETINGS, AND THAT HE WOULD LIMIT PARTICIPATION BY OTHER PORTUGUESE ON BASIS OF GROUND RULES IN EFFECT AT NATO HEADQUARTERS.

4. BEYOND THIS, VAN CAMPEN HAS ALSO TOLD US THAT INTERNATIONAL STAFF HAS EDITED ALL MATERIAL CLASSIFIED SECRET AND ABOVE OUT OF COPIES OF NATO DOCUMENTS TO BE PROVIDED TO PORTUGUESE DELEGATION FOR ITS USE IN CONNECTION WITH FORTHCOMING MINISTERIAL MEETINGS. DE FREITAS CRUZ, IN HIS CONVERSATION WITH US, VOLUNTERRED THAT HE WAS AWARE THE DOCUMENTS HAD BEEN BOWDLERIZED BUT THAT HE ENVISAGED THIS WOULD CREATE NO DIFFICULTY WITH HIS AUTHORITIES.  
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